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(54) KEY INPUTTING DEVICE

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To improve character inputting efficiency by easily inputting a frequent long vowel 'i' at the time of inputting Japanese even when the number of keys is small.

SOLUTION: A key inputting device 2 is provided with 5 vowel keys 21-25 where vowels are set. One vowel key 21 is set as a long vowel setting key at which a second character key for inputting a long vowel 'i' is set. At the time of keying the key 21 once, the vowel set therein is outputted, and when keying it twice successively, the long vowel 'i' is outputted, and when keying it three times successively, the vowel and the long vowel 'i' set therein are outputted in the order of 'the vowel + the long vowel'. Even when the number of keys is small, the frequently used long vowel 'i' can be easily inputted at the time of inputting Japanese, and character inputting efficiency can be improved.

